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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Soviet Troops in Hungary

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1

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DATE OF CONTENT 25 July to 2 August 1952

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. On 31 July 1952, the former Cavalry Barracks on Szelneki Street in Cegled appeared to be slightly occupied. Two unarmed Soviet soldiers wearing black epaulets without borders were sitting in front of the closed barracks gate at the northeastern corner. The wooden observation post on the barracks roof and the observation tower at the southeastern corner of the billeting area were each occupied by one sentry. The square west of the barracks installation as far as the intersection of Szelneki Street and Toerteli Street was used to grow vegetables. Construction work was done in the area southeast of the barracks installation.¹
2. The barracks installation on the southeast side of Toerteli Street east of the Cegled-Szeged (T 7/T 17) railroad line consisted of low brick buildings. The installation, about 130 x 80 meters, was surrounded by a wire fence. A tree nursery bordered the area to the west and built-up section bordered it to the east. The sentry at the barracks gate wore black service color. Some soldiers and two tanks partly covered with tarpaulins were seen in the billeting area. The gun barrel of one tank, apparently a T-34 tank, had no muzzle brake, whereas the other had a rear-shaped muzzle brake. The bow of the second tank was wedge-shaped with a machine gun in a ball mount to the right and the driver's port to the left.¹

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4. [REDACTED] the Soviet tank unit, which had been stationed in Cegled since 1951, was engaged in field exercises. [REDACTED] the Soviet officers formerly billeted in private houses had moved into the barracks installations.¹

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5. [redacted] there were Hungarian soldiers and many Soviet tanks in the Kocerési Forest. [redacted]

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6. On 25 July 1952, four Soviet officers wearing black epaulets, one of them with medical service insignia, boarded the train in Wiener Neustadt (O 48/X 34) and left it in Sopron (P 48/X 63).

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7. On 1 August 1952, truck [redacted] carrying telegraph poles and four Soviet soldiers with black epaulets, moved on the Szekesfehervar (Q 48/Z 00) - Budapest road.

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8. On 2 August 1952, a Soviet column of 16 trucks [redacted] stood on the main street in Kenyeri (P 48/Y 00), headed for Czelicsemoosik (P 48/D 19). The trucks were occupied by some soldiers wearing black epaulets, apparently unbordered, and loaded with bipartite lance poles for field cables.

9. On 2 August 1952, a Soviet twin line laid on lance poles was seen near Csapod (P 48/X 92). It came from the woods northeast of the place, crossed the road about 1,500 meters east of the edge of the locality and led to a pole of the permanent line, about 150 meters south of the Csapod railroad station.

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1. [redacted] Comment. The 87th Gds Hv Tank Sp Arty Regt of the 2d Gds Mecz Div is carried in Cegled. It is believed that this regiment is quartered in the barracks installation mentioned in the present report. [redacted]

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